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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Monday, 18 January 1954

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Messrs. Wisner, Amory, Colonel White,
Messrs. Kirkpatrick, [redacted] Sheldon, [redacted] and Mr.
[redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

a. Asked DD/I to have ONE consider the possible consequences which might result in the release of POW's in Korea, and in particular will such release create an incident. The Director said that while it was not yet time to produce an Estimate on this subject, he did feel the situation was critical enough to give it a good look and at least catalog the possibilities. The Director also noted he might discuss this problem at the next NSC Meeting.

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c. Briefly discussed an interim assignment for [redacted] upon his return to the U.S., and asked Mr. Wisner to consider this.

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d. Noted he had reviewed Mr. Wisner's memorandum respecting the Foreign Service Officer mentioned at the Deputies' Meeting on 11 January, and asked DD/P to prepare a draft memorandum of the position CIA should take in this case. Mr. Wisner said that the individual concerned had promised to let us see his proposed statement to be submitted to the Department of State.

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e. Noted a cable from the [redacted] (IN 49255) respecting [redacted] and stated an attempt should be made to call in another doctor for consultation and/or opinion, even though this was against [redacted] wishes. The Director said he believed this was necessary in order that our doctor would not be in the position of carrying the full responsibility which might be used against us at some subsequent date.

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g. Asked Mr. Amory to arrange for [redacted] to see him prior to his departure for the Berlin Conference.

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h. Reported he had seen Mr. Taber over the weekend and he had indicated he would get in touch with us soon regarding our budget. Mr. Kirkpatrick

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recommended that we go ahead with our preparations for our final hearing in order that we would be prepared at a moment's notice.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Reported he had been advised by Mr. Barbour of State that David Dollin, who is doing another book, would in all probability contact the Director for an appointment. Mr. Wisner said Mr. Barbour wished to make it clear that he was not sponsoring this appointment.

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b. Noted that [redacted] was here on temporary duty. The Director said he wished to see him before his return.

Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Reported that an investigation of consultants employed by the Agency revealed by and large that some were being over-used and other under-used. Mr. Kirkpatrick said that he was preparing memoranda to the appropriate deputies, pointing out these facts in each instance, and also requesting that appropriate corrective action be taken. Mr. Kirkpatrick also noted that in some cases consultants were being paid enough money to warrant their full-time employment.

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